#### THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE

# U.S. Speaker Program







## THE PROGRAM

The U.S. Speaker Program recruits dynamic American experts to engage international audiences on topics of strategic importance to the United States. Programs are conducted in person and through virtual engagement platforms. Key policy priorities include security such as countering disinformation and cybersecurity; defeating ISIS and extremist groups; economic prosperity; educational diplomacy; energy security; and open government and civil society. The office conducts approximately 650 speaker programs annually.

### WHAT WE DO

- » Collaborate with U.S. embassies and consulates around the world to develop and implement customized programs
- » Identify and recruit prominent U.S. citizen experts
- » Tailor programs to meet specific needs of international audiences through workshops, lectures, seminars, and consultations
- » Use innovative technologies and other public diplomacy resources to amplify messaging
- » Foster relationships between U.S. speakers and program participants to increase understanding on strategic issues

### **WHAT YOU CAN DO**

- » Engage foreign audiences in exciting and challenging countries
- » Participate in various program formats and venues
- » Share ideas and information on strategic topics
- » Build and sustain relationships with foreign audiences to continue conversations after completion of programs

## **CONTACT US**

- » Interested American experts should send inquiries to USSpeaker-ECA@state.gov
- » Alumni of U.S. exchange programs with ideas for possible speakers should contact the Public Affairs Section at your local embassy or consulate

